

Amendments to the Claims

Please cancel claims 1-20, without prejudice.

In the claims:

Claims 1-20 (Cancelled)

1 Claim ~~21~~ (New) An insect repellant composition comprising a high vapor pressure compound and a low vapor pressure insect repellant, wherein the low vapor pressure insect repellant is soluble in the high vapor pressure compound.

2 Claim ~~22~~ (New) The composition of claim ~~21~~¹, wherein the high vapor pressure compound comprises a fragrance.

Claim ~~23~~³ (New) The composition of claim ~~22~~², wherein the low vapor pressure insect repellant is selected from the group consisting of DEET, DBP, and DMP, alone or in any combination.

Claim ~~24~~⁴ (New) The composition of claim ~~21~~¹, wherein the low vapor pressure insect repellant comprises DEET.

5 Claim ~~25~~⁴ (New) The composition of claim ~~24~~⁴, wherein the high vapor pressure compound comprises a fragrance.

6 Claim ~~26~~⁵ (New) The composition of claim ~~25~~⁵, wherein the fragrance is selected from the group consisting of salicylates, benzoates, lemon oil, orange oil, citronella oil, geraniol, terpineol, garlic oil, grapefruit oil, mints, southernwood, and tea tree oil, alone or in any combination.

7 Claim ~~27~~⁵ (New) The composition of claim ~~26~~⁵, wherein the DEET comprises about 1% to about 80% by weight of the composition.

8 Claim ~~28~~⁷ (New) The composition of claim ~~27~~⁷, wherein the DEET comprises about 1% to about 50% by weight of the composition.

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9 Claim ~~29~~ (New) The composition of claim ~~28~~, wherein the DEET comprises about 1% to about 5% by weight of the composition.

10 Claim ~~30~~ (New) The composition of claim ~~21~~, wherein the high vapor pressure compound and the low vapor pressure insect repellent are present in sufficient quantities and concentrations to effectively repel insects.

11 Claim ~~31~~ (New) The composition of claim ~~21~~, wherein said composition is effective both as a contact repellent and as an area repellent.

12 Claim ~~32~~ (New) The composition of claim ~~21~~, wherein said composition is effective in repelling insects selected from the group consisting of flies, mosquitoes, yellow jackets and ants.

13 Claim ~~33~~ (New) An insect repellent composition comprising a high vapor pressure compound, a low vapor pressure insect repellent, and an absorption substrate carrier, wherein the low vapor pressure insect repellent is soluble in the high vapor pressure compound.

14 Claim ~~34~~ (New) The composition of claim ~~33~~, wherein the high vapor pressure compound comprises a fragrance.

15 Claim ~~35~~ (New) The composition of claim ~~34~~, wherein the low vapor pressure insect repellent is selected from the group consisting of DEET, DBP, and DMP, alone or in any combination.

16 Claim ~~36~~ (New) The composition of claim ~~33~~, wherein the low vapor pressure insect repellent comprises DEET.

17 Claim ~~37~~ (New) The composition of claim ~~36~~, wherein the high vapor pressure compound comprises a fragrance.

18 Claim ~~38~~ (New) The composition of claim ~~37~~, wherein the fragrance is selected from the group consisting of salicylates, benzoates, lemon oil, orange oil, citronella oil, geraniol, terpineol, garlic oil, grapefruit oil, mints, southernwood, and tea tree oil, alone or in any combination.

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19 Claim 39 (New) The composition of claim 33, wherein the absorption substrate carrier is selected from the group consisting of paper, plastisol, gel, fabric, clay, wax, and plastic.
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20 Claim 40 (New) The composition of claim 37, wherein the DEET comprises up to about 80% by weight of the composition.
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21 Claim 41 (New) The composition of claim 40, wherein the DEET comprises up to about 50% by weight of the composition.
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22 Claim 42 (New) The composition of claim 41, wherein the DEET comprises up to about 5% by weight of the composition.
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23 Claim 43 (New) The composition of claim 33, wherein the high vapor pressure compound and the low vapor pressure insect repellent are present in sufficient quantities and concentrations to effectively repel insects.
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24 Claim 44 (New) The composition of claim 33, wherein said composition is effective both as a contact repellent and as an area repellent.
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25 Claim 45 (New) The composition of claim 33, wherein said composition is effective in repelling insects selected from the group consisting of flies, mosquitoes, yellow jackets and ants.
- 1-25
26 Claim 46 (New) A method of repelling insects from an area, comprising exposing the area to the composition of any of claims 21-45.